

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 123
By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Angela Douglas upon being named Teacher of the Year at Fairview-Marguerite Elementary School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Angela Douglas of Fairview-Marguerite Elementary School is one such estimable educator who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Douglas has recently been selected Teacher of the Year at her school, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Angela Douglas, along with all other school-wide Teachers of the Year, will be considered for further recognition on a system-wide basis in three categories: pre-K through grade four, grades five through eight, and grades nine through twelve; those winners will then be nominated for district honors; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Douglas places great emphasis on education in her personal life as well as in her professional work, having earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Carson-Newman College, she is now pursuing graduate studies there; and

WHEREAS, involved in numerous service groups and committees, Angela is grade-level Chair, a mentor teacher, an inclusion teacher, a member of the School Improvement Committee, a member of the SIOP team, and past sponsor of the Nutrition Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, her professional development activities include participation in Special Education Inclusion Training, 6-Trait Writing, Differentiated Instruction, Cooperative Learning, and Learning Centers; and

WHEREAS, encouraging her students to be well-rounded individuals and citizens, Ms. Douglas coaches the Boys and Girls basketball teams and has served as scorekeeper for all the A-Team basketball games; and

WHEREAS, she has served with acumen and alacrity as an educator for five years at Fairview-Marguerite Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Angela Douglas is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential; her students and their families consider themselves tremendously blessed by their association with her; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Douglas is an active and invaluable member of her community and her profession; and

WHEREAS, Angela Douglas truly serves as an inspiration to her family, friends, peers, and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate enough to know her; and

WHEREAS, she epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Angela Douglas on being chosen as Teacher of the Year at Fairview-Marguerite Elementary School, commend her exceptional service to the youth of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.